

Guidelines for Your Safety and Others Regarding Coronavirus

Before coming to church, please take into serious consideration the following:

1. If you are concerned that your life or health could be at risk from contact with coronavirus, don't feel guilty about not attending. People identified as higher risk are older adults, as well as those who have serious chronic medical conditions like heart disease, diabetes, and lung disease.
2. For more details concerning precautions, go to [CDC.GOV](https://www.cdc.gov) and follow the links. If you don't have Internet service and would like a copy, call the church and we will mail them to you.
3. If you don't feel well, please stay at home, especially if you think you just have a cold. This virus can feel much like a cold.
4. As much as possible, avoid being in places where the suggestions included here are not followed, particularly large group settings. This will not only help protect you, but will also help assure that you don't unknowingly bring the virus with you to church.
5. Wash your hands with soap and warm water for 20 seconds.

While at church, to minimize the possibility of transmitting disease, please observe the following precautions:

1. No hand-shaking, hugging, or other physical contact with others.
2. Try to avoid touching your face to keep from transferring germs from surfaces.
3. Cough or sneeze into your elbow to avoid transferring germs onto surfaces.
4. Families should sit together. Children and students should not be allowed to play with or sit with friends or roam around. Come in together, and leave together.
5. Try to keep a distance of about six feet from non-family. In pews, space out from non-family.
6. The play area and busy bags will not be used, so parents of children need to plan alternatives if needed. If a child becomes noisy or upset, the cry room is available with a video feed of the service.
7. We will not have the fellowship time, so please greet one another from a distance. Be sure guests are greeted and that they understand what is going on.
8. If you begin feeling sick during a meeting, please leave immediately. If symptoms persist, please call the church to let us know.
9. To avoid crowding when leaving services, try to exit single file or in family groups as much as possible. Do not congregate in aisles, in hallways, or around doorways.
10. Offering will not be collected by passing the plates. They will be placed at the exits to receive offerings. Alternatively, gifts can be mailed to the church. Also, most banks have online provisions for sending donations.